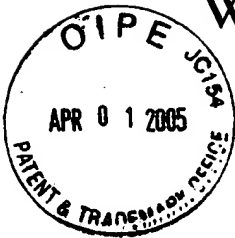


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___ This application is entitled to Small Entity Status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

B. Enclosed

X An Amendment "G" and Response for entry in the present application.

X To render this RCE timely filed, enclosed is a Petition for three (3)-Month Extension of Time.

X A Certificate of Mailing by "Express Mail" certifying a filing date for the enclosed application by use of Express Mail Label No. EV661144945US.

___ A Request for Nonpublication of Application.

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